**1. Knight**

A most **DISTINGUISHED** man. He followed **CHIVALRY, TRUTH, HONOR, GENEROUSNESS AND COURTESY**. In fifteen **MORTAL BATTLES** he had been and did well. He was **WISE** and in his bearing **MODEST** as a maid. He was a **TRUE**, a perfect **GENTLE-KNIGHT**. He owned fine **HORSES**. He wore a **FRUSTAIN TUNIC** stained by **SMUDGES FROM ARMOR**.

2**. Squire**

He was the **KNIGHT’S** son. A **LOVER** and cadet, a lad of fire. His hair was **CURLY** as if it had been **PRESSED**. He was **20**- years old. He had done valiantly in battle in the hope to win his **LADY’S GRACE.** All day he would **SING** and **FLUTE**. He could make **SONGS** and **POEMS**. He could **JOUST** and **DANCE**. He loved so **HOTLY** he slept as little as a **NIGHTINGALE**.

**3. Yeoman**

Who was he an attendant to? **THE SQUIRE** He wore a coat and **HOOD of GREEN**. At his belt was hung **ARROWS**. In his hand he bore a **BOW**. His head was like a **NUT** and his face was **BROWN**. He was skilled in **WOODCRAFT**.On his forearm he wore a **BRACE** to protect it from the **BOW STRING.** A **SHIELD** and **SWORD** hung at his side and on the other a **DAGGER.** He wore a medal of **St. Christopher** (patron St. of forest and **TRAVELER**) made of **SILVER**. He had a **HUNTING HORN** attached to his baldric (belt worn over your shoulder to support a sword).

**4. Nun/ Prioress**

Her greatest oath was “ **By St. Loy**.” (patron saint of goldsmiths) She was known as **MADAM EGLANTYNE**

She sang through her **NOSE** and spoke **FENCH**. Her manners were **WELL TAUGHT, NOT A MORSEL FELL FROM HER LIPS NOR DIPPED HER FINGERS IN THE SUACE TOO DEEPLY**. Pleasant and friendly in her ways, and straining to **COUNTERFIT** ,(fake) a courtly kind of grace. She had little **DOGS** that she fed **ROASTED FLESH** or **MILK** or fine **BREAD**. Her mouth was very **SMALL** her forehead **FAIR SPACED**. She wore **CORAL TRINKET** on her arm. On her prayer beads hung a **BROACH** that had been engraved with ”**LOVE CONQUERS ALL**.”. Along with her rode a **NUN** and 3 **PRIESTS**.

**5. Monk**

**HUNTING** was his sport. Many a dainty **HORSE** he owned. He tended to ignore **St. BENET** or St**. MAUR** . He took the world’s more **MODERN WAY**. What does he not rate a plucked hen **THAT HUNTERS ARE NOT HOLY MEN.**

He had swift as birds. He spared no **EXPENSE**. His sleeves and hood had **FINE GRAY FUR** . He had a **WROUGHT-GOLD** pin into a **LOVER’S KNOT**

it seemed to pass. His head was **BALD AND SHONE LIKE LOOKING GLASS.** His eyeballs never seemed to **SETTLE** and **GLITTERED LIKE FLAMES**.

**6. Friar**

**A WANTON** one and **MERRY**. A **LIMITER**( a friar with rights to beg) a very festive fellow. In all **FOUR ORDERS** there was none so mellow. He was a noble **PILLAR** to his order. He was beloved an intimate with **RICH LAND OWNERS** and city **DAMES** of honor and **POSSESSION.** He heard confessions for a **GIFT.** Instead of weeping for sinning he prefers you give him **SILVER**. In his hood he kept **PINS-POCKET KNIVES**  for **CHILDREN** and certainly his voice was **GAY** and **STURDY**. His neck was **WHITER THAN A LILLY FLOWER.** He knew the **TAVERNS** in every town and the **INN KEEPERS** better than **LEPPERS, BEGGARS** and that crew. It was not fitting for him to deal with wretched **LEPERS** because there was no **PROFIT** in it. His income came more than what he **LAID OUT**. He **LISPED** a little out of wantonness. His name was **HUBERT**.

**7. Merchant**

A **FORKING** beard. On his head a Flemish **BEAVER HAT**. On his feet he wore **DAINTY BUCKLED BOOTS**. He was an expert at currency **EXCHANGE**. He was in **DEBT**.

**8. Oxford Cleric**

Horse was thinner than a **RAKE**. He had a **HOLLOW**  look. The thread on his **OVERCOAT** was bare. By his bed **20 BOOKS.** Whatever money he had he spent on **BOOKS**. His only care was **STUDY**. And he would gladly **LEARN** and gladly **TEACH**.

**9. Sergeant at the Law**

**DESCREET** he was, a man to **REVERENCE** or so he **SEEMED**. His fame and learning had won him many a **ROBE** and many a fee. There was no such **CONVEYER** **( DEFINE** **MAKES DOCUMENTS FOR TRANSFERRING OWNERSHIP OF PROPERY)** as he. Nowhere there was so busy a man as he; but was less **BUSY** than he seemed to be.

**10. Franklin (WEALTHY LAND OWNER)**

White as a **DAISY-PEDAL** was his **BEARD**. He lived for **PLEASURE** and had always done. He made his **HOUSEHOLD** free. His house was never short of **BAKED MEAT PIES,FISH, FLESH**. It positively **SNOWED** with **MEAT** and **DRINK**. Woe to the **COOK** whose sauces had no sting or who was unprepared in anything. A **DAGGER** and little **PURSE** of **SILK** hung at his girdle. He was a **MODEL** among **LANDED GENTRY**.

**11. Haberdasher (DEALER IN MENS WEAR) a Dyer, a Carpenter,**

**a Weaver, a Carpet-maker**

All in the livery of one impressive **GUILD FRATERNITY (MEN PRACTICING THE SAME CRAFT).** They were **CLOTHES** so **TRIM** and **FRESH** they would pass for **NEW**. Their **KNIVES** were tricked out with **BRASS** but wrought with purest **SILVER**.

**12. Cook**

He stood alone for boiling **CHICKEN**. He could distinguish London **ALE** by flavor. He could **ROAST** and seethe and **BROIL** and **FRY**. Make good thick **SOUP** and tasty **PIE**. But what a pity he had an **ULCER** on his knee.

**13. Skipper**

He rode a **FARMER’**s horse as best he could in a **WOLLEN GOWN** that came to his knee. A **DAGGER** on a **LANYARD (LOOSE ROPE AROUND THE NECK)** Many a **DRAUGHT** of vintage **RED** and **YELLOW** he stole while the trader snored. When he fought the enemy vessel sank and his prisoners he made walk the **PLANK**. As for his skill in reckoning his **TIDES,** currents, moons, **HARBORS, PILOTS, RISKS .** That none was his **MATCH**.

**14. Doctor**

No one alive could talk as well as he did about **MEDICINE, SURGERY**. He was grounded in **ASTRONOMY**. He was a **PERFECT** practicing **PHYSICIAN**.

All his **APOTHECARIES** in tribe were ready with the **DRUGS** that he **PRESCRIBED**

Each made **MONEY** from the other’s **GUILE**. He did not read the **BIBLE** very much. In **BLOOD-RED** garments slashed in **BLUISH-GRAY** and lined in **TAFFETA**.(**fine silk**) He had a special love of **GOLD**.

**15. Wife of Bath**

Somewhat **DEAF**, which is a pity. In making **CLOTH** she was great. Not a **DAME DARED** stir toward the alter steps before she had a chance to lay her cloth out. Her **KERCHIEFS** weighed a good **10** pound. **BOLD** was her **FACE**, handsome and **RED** in hue. She had **5** husbands. She had **GAP-TEETH** set widely, truth to say. And knew the remedies for **LOVE**’S mischances.

**16. Parson**

A **HOLY-MINDED** man of good renown and **POOR**. Yet he was rich in holy **THOUGHT** and **WORK**. He truly knew **CHRIST’S** gospel and would **PREACH** it. Wide was his parish, with houses far asunder, yet he neglected not in **RAIN** or **THUNDER** in **SICKNESS** or in **GRIEF** to pay a **CALL**. He stayed at **HOME** to watch over his **FOLD**. Holy and **VIRTUOUS** he was. I think there was never a better **PRIEST**.

**17. Plowman**

Many a load of **DUNG**- he carted through the morning dew. He was an **HONEST** worker good and true. Loving **GOD** best with all his **HEART**. Steadily about his work he went to **THRASH CORN** to dig **MANURE** or to **DIG A DITCH**. He would help the **POOR** and never take a **PENNY**.

**Reeve (define Estate Manager)**

**Manciple ( define buyer of provision )**

**18. Miller**

A chap of **16** stone. A great stout **FELLOW** he could take a run and break a **DOOR** with his **HEAD**. At its very tip, his nose, displayed a **WART** that had sticking out of it tufts of **HAIR**. He had a **SWORD** and **BUCKLER** at his side. His mouth was as wide as a **FURNACE**, he had a store of **TAVERN** stories, **FILTHY** in content. He was a master at stealing **GRAIN** he felt it with his **THUMB** and thus he knew its quality and took **3** times his due. He played his **BAG PIPE** up and down and that was how he brought us out of **TOWN**.

**19. Manciple ( define** buyer of provisions **)**

In buying **VICTUALS** (**define**  food) he was never rash whether he bought on credit or paid in **CASH** . He used to watch the market most precisely and this illiterate man knew better than a heap of **LEARNED** men. His masters he had more than **3O**  and they all knew law. They taught him how to live **DEBT** free. Yet this manciple could wipe their eye.

**20. Reeve – manages finances and production for an estate**

He was **OLD** and **CHOLERIC** and **THIN** . His beard was **SHAVED** close to his skin. He had a bowl haircut; the hair stopped short above his **EARS**. His legs were thin like **STICKS** . He kept his bins and **GARNERS** ( **define** building to store grain ) trim. He could judge by **DRAUGHT** and **RAIN** how much he might expect from seed and grain. Accounts, right from the master’s early years and no one ever caught him in **ARREARS** ( **define** behind in payment ). No bailiff, serf or **HEARDSMAN** ever made money on them he knew their every trick. He was a carpenter of first rate skill. His horse’s name was **SCOT** . He had an overcoat of **BLUISH SHADE** and rather long; he had a rusty blade. He rode **LAST** in the group.

**21. Summoner** (**define** one who summons people to church courts )

His eyes were **NARROW** he was **HOT**  and **LECHEROUS** . Black **SCABBY BROWS** and a thin **BEARD** . Children were **AFRAID** of him. He had a

**PURGE** of **PIMPLES** on his cheeks. Garlic he loved and **ONIONS** too and **LEEKS** . He would drink strong **WINE** till he was **HAZY** then would **SHOUT** and **JABBER** as if **CRAZY** and only spoke in **LATIN** . ( he only knew a few Latin phrases and did not know the meaning of them) But had you tied to test his **WITS** for more you’d found nothing in the **BAG.** (means he was dumb) **WHAT IS THE POINT OF LAW** was his tag. He would allow for just a quart of **WINE** a lad to keep a **CONCUBINE** (**define** lover on the side). He knew their secrets and they did what he said.

**Pardoner**

**Hair, yellow as wax with long curls down to his shoulders.**

**Hid a wallet in his hood and had a little cap on his head that had a holy relic sewn in it.**

**Bulging eyes and pardons from Rome in his lap**

**Relics to sell Mary’s veil St. Peter’s sail bones of a saint. Turns out they are all fake.**

**He made more money than most**

**He could read storied well and sing for offerings.**